

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the title of the application with the following amended title:

COLOR SIGNAL COMPENSATION IMAGE READING APPARATUS

Please replace paragraph [0001] with the amended paragraph:

[0001] This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. application Ser. No. 60/452,338 filed 03/05/2003, which is incorporated herein by reference, and a continuation-in-part of U.S. application Ser. No. 10/791,590, filed Mar. 02, 2004 ~~and having the same title and inventors as this application.~~